

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY**

**WRITTEN QUESTION**

Mr Maley to the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics:

**Design and Construct Waste Water Treatment System at 35 Stevens Road, Knuckey Lagoon**

On 30 January 2023, the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics (DIPL) awarded a tender to Design and Construct Waste Water Treatment System at 35 Stevens Road Knuckey Lagoon, to Ausplumb (NT) Pty Limited for the sum of \$44,346.

**Questions:**

- 1. Were any other quotes received? If so, were any other quotes cheaper?**

The successful tender was considered the best value for the Territory.

- 2. Why was this quote selected?**

Three contractors were invited to tender for the required works via a Tier 2 procurement process for the waste water treatment system works. Two tender responses were received by the Department and the successful tender was considered the best value for Territory.

- 3. What are the specifications of this waste water treatment system that justify the cost of this system?**

See Question 1.

- 4. What is the average cost of a septic system for a rural residential property in Knuckey Lagoon or Howard Springs?**

This question is subject to specific contexts of properties and differing septic systems.

- 5. The NT Government has owned this property for over 2 years. Why is this work only being undertaken now?**

The Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics has been preparing the property for sale via a public competitive process (auction) and is undertaking works considered appropriate prior to sale.

- 6. Will this cost be recoverable in the price achieved at auction when the property is sold?**

A sale will be initiated via an auction process.

- 7. It has been noted that a shed has recently been removed. Was this done via tender, what was the cost and when will this be completed?**

These works were procured via a select Tier 1 procurement process. The works were completed on 21 February 2023 to the best value for Territory cost.